IN IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS WACO DIVISION

WSOU INVESTMENTS, LLC D/B/A	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00454-ADA
BRAZOS LICENSING AND	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00455-ADA
DEVELOPMENT,	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00455-ADA
Plaintiff,	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00456-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00457-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00458-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00459-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00460-ADA
v.	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00461-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00462-ADA
	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00463-ADA
MICROSOFT CORPORATION,	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00464-ADA
Defendant.	§	CIVIL ACTION 6:20-cv-00465-ADA

FIRST AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER

Date	Item
September 18, 2020	Case Management Conference
October 2, 2020	Deadline for Motions to Transfer
(2 weeks after the CMC)	

Date	Item
November 6, 2020	Defendant serves preliminary ¹ invalidity contentions
(7 weeks after the CMC)	in the form of (1) a chart setting forth where in the prior art references each element of the asserted claim(s) are found, (2) an identification of any limitations the Defendant contends are indefinite or lack written description under section 112, and (3) an identification of any claims the Defendant contends are directed to ineligible subject matter under section 101. Defendant shall also produce (1) all prior art referenced in the invalidity contentions, (2) technical documents, including software where applicable, sufficient to show the operation of the accused product(s), and (3) summary, annual sales information for the accused product(s) for the two years preceding the filing of the Complaint, unless the parties agree to some other timeframe.
November 20, 2020 (9 weeks after the CMC)	Parties exchange claim terms for construction.
December 4, 2020	Parties exchange proposed claim
(11 weeks after the CMC)	constructions.
December 11, 2020 (12 weeks after the CMC)	Parties disclose extrinsic evidence. The parties shall disclose any extrinsic evidence, including the identity of any expert witness they may rely upon in their opening brief with respect to claim construction or indefiniteness. With respect to any expert identified, the parties shall identify the scope of the topics for the witness's expected testimony. ² With respect to items of extrinsic evidence, the parties shall identify each such item by production number or produce a copy of any such item if not previously produced.
December 18, 2020 (13 weeks after the CMC)	Deadline to meet and confer to narrow terms in dispute and exchange revised list of terms/constructions.

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¹ The parties may amend preliminary infringement contentions and preliminary invalidity contentions without leave of court so long as counsel certifies that it undertook reasonable efforts to prepare its preliminary contentions and the amendment is based on material identified after those preliminary contentions were served, and should do so seasonably upon identifying any such material. Any amendment to add patent claims requires leave of court so that the Court can address any scheduling issues.

² Any party may utilize a rebuttal expert in response to a brief where expert testimony is relied upon by the other party

Date	Item
January 8, 2021	Plaintiff files Opening claim construction brief,
(14 weeks)	including any arguments that any claim terms are
	indefinite.
January 29, 2021	Defendant file Responsive claim construction
(17 weeks)	brief.
February 11, 2021	Plaintiff files Reply claim construction brief.
(19 weeks)	
February 24, 2021	Defendant files a Sur-Reply claim construction brief
(21 weeks)	
February 25, 2021	Parties submit optional technical tutorials to the
22 weeks (but at least 1 week before	Court and technical adviser (if appointed). ³
Markman Hearing)	
February 25, 2021	Parties submit Joint Claim Construction
3 business days after submission of sur-	Statement and provide copies of briefs to the
reply	Court.
March 4 – 5, 2021	Markman hearing at 9:00 a.m.
March 8, 2021	Fact Discovery opens; deadline to serve Initial
(1 business day after Markman	Disclosures per Rule 26(a).
hearing)	
April 16, 2021	Deadline to add parties.
(6 weeks after Markman)	
April 30, 2021	Deadline to serve Final Infringement and Invalidity
(8 weeks after Markman)	Contentions. After this date, leave of Court is
	required for any amendment to Infringement o
	Invalidity contentions. This deadline does not relieve
	the Parties of their obligation to seasonably amend if new information is identified after initial contentions.
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June 24, 2021	Deadline to amend pleadings. A motion is not
(16 weeks after Markman)	required unless the amendment adds patents or patent
	claims. (Note: This includes amendments in response
	to a 12(c) motion.)

³ The parties should contact the law clerk to request a Box link so that the party can directly upload the file to the Court's Box account.

Date	Item
September 2, 2021	Deadline for the first of two meet and confers to
(26 weeks after Markman)	discuss significantly narrowing the number of claims
	asserted and prior art references at issue. Unless the
	parties agree to the narrowing, they are ordered to
	contact the Court's Law Clerk to arrange a
	teleconference with the Court to resolve the disputed
	issues.
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September 30, 2021	Close of Fact Discovery.
(30 weeks after Markman)	
October 7, 2021	Opening Expert Reports.
(31 weeks after Markman)	D. L. W. L. D. W. L.
November 4, 2021	Rebuttal Expert Reports.
(35 weeks after Markman)	ot ar ar
December 2, 2021	Close of Expert Discovery.
(38 weeks after Markman)	
December 9, 2021	Deadline for the second of two meet and confers to
(39 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	discuss narrowing the number of claims asserted
	and prior art references at issue to triable limits. To
	the extent it helps the parties determine these limits,
	the parties are encouraged to contact the Court's
	Law Clerk for an estimate of the amount of trial
	time anticipated per side. The parties shall file a
December 16, 2021	Dispositive motion deadline and <i>Daubert</i>
(40 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	motion deadline.
	See General Issues Note #8 regarding providing
	copies of the briefing to the Court and the technical
	adviser (if appointed).
	and the approximation of the a
December 30, 2021	Serve Pretrial Disclosures (jury instructions, exhibit
(42 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	lists, witness lists, discovery and deposition
	designations).
January 13, 2022	Serve objections to pretrial
(44 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	disclosures/rebuttal disclosures.
January 20, 2022	Serve objections to rebuttal disclosures and file
(45 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	motions in limine.

Date	Item
January 27, 2022 (46 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	File Joint Pretrial Order and Pretrial Submissions (jury instructions, exhibit lists, witness lists, discovery and deposition designations); file oppositions to motions <i>in limine</i> .
February 3, 2022 (47 weeks after Markman)	File Notice of Request for Daily Transcript or Real Time Reporting. If a daily transcript or real time reporting of court proceedings is requested for trial, the party or parties making said request shall file a notice with the Court and e-mail the Court Reporter, Kristie Davis at kmdaviscsr@yahoo.com . Deadline to meet and confer regarding remaining objections and disputes on motions <i>in limine</i> .
February 14, 2022 (3 business days before Final Pretrial Conference)	File joint notice identifying remaining objections to pretrial disclosures and disputes on motion <i>in limine</i> .
February 17, 2022 (49 weeks after <i>Markman</i>)	Final Pretrial Conference. The Court expects to set this date at the conclusion of the Markman Hearing.
March 3, 2022 (52 weeks after Markman) ⁴	Jury Selection/Trial. The Court expects to set this date at the conclusion of the Markman Hearing.

SIGNED this 14th day of December , 2020

ALAN D ALBRIGHT
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

⁴ If the actual trial date materially differs from the Court's default schedule, the Court will consider reasonable amendments to the case schedule post-Markman that are consistent with the Court's default deadlines in light of the actual trial date